

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification to cross reference the parent application.

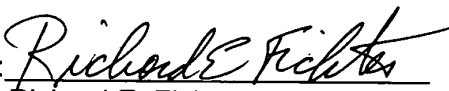
Applicants have also canceled original claims 1-15 and added new claims 16-29 directed to the non-elected invention in the parent application.

In accordance with MPEP §2001.06(b) no copies of the prior art in the parent applications are submitted herewith. The reference cited forms from the parent applications are submitted herewith for the convenience of the Examiner. In accordance with MPEP §609, a Form 1449 listing these references is also submitted herewith. Confirmation that the prior art cited in the parent applications has been considered in the next Official Action is most respectfully requested.

In view of the above amendments to the claims, an early action on the merits is most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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